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SABR calibration in Python

Modeling of the yield curve

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The objective of this project is to study the SABR model and to process an example of calibration of the model on real market data. This study consists in visualizing the curve of the volatility of the swaptions which allow us to predict the volatility at any strike. We will use the "Market-data.xlsx" database for the calibration of the SABR model.

			Market Volatilities for strike spreads in bps:								
Tenor	Expiry	Fwd	-150	-100	-50	-25	0	25	50	100	150
2	0.25	0.010763833	0.0000	1.0470	0.4812	0.4327	0.4268	0.4148	0.4253	0.4322	0.4495
2	0.5	0.011099189	0.0000	0.9647	0.5079	0.4637	0.4477	0.4390	0.4377	0.4452	0.4576
2	0.75	0.011602429	0.0000	0.8253	0.5033	0.4648	0.4494	0.4387	0.4348	0.4375	0.4463
2	1	0.012193564	0.0000	0.6796	0.4788	0.4474	0.4501	0.4435	0.4478	0.4611	0.4754
2	2	0.016195984	0.0000	0.9119	0.5417	0.4628	0.4529	0.4461	0.4386	0.4387	0.4442
2	5	0.028436364	0.4040	0.3541	0.3218	0.3107	0.3048	0.2975	0.2923	0.2873	0.2870
2	10	0.033873471	0.3026	0.2725	0.2510	0.2422	0.2343	0.2279	0.2228	0.2161	0.2128
5	0.25	0.01601749	1.1870	0.6027	0.4655	0.4278	0.4030	0.3879	0.3789	0.3710	0.3725
5	0.5	0.01680246	0.9568	0.5800	0.4661	0.4339	0.4125	0.3969	0.3888	0.3801	0.3785
5	0.75	0.017681947	0.8325	0.5562	0.4578	0.4288	0.4078	0.3914	0.3821	0.3719	0.3692
5	1	0.018623226	0.7242	0.5240	0.4446	0.4210	0.4042	0.3904	0.3807	0.3699	0.3668
5	2	0.022384186	0.5704	0.4686	0.4119	0.3925	0.3781	0.3656	0.3561	0.3438	0.3380
5	5	0.030538725	0.3720	0.3304	0.3016	0.2910	0.2816	0.2758	0.2700	0.2617	0.2572
5	10	0.033460207	0.3108	0.2749	0.2488	0.2387	0.2304	0.2237	0.2184	0.2115	0.2083
10	0.25	0.02299003	0.6333	0.4909	0.4010	0.3679	0.3451	0.3314	0.3229	0.3128	0.3121
10	0.5	0.023535063	0.6149	0.4851	0.4044	0.3755	0.3533	0.3355	0.3276	0.3202	0.3207
10	0.75	0.02411912	0.5860	0.4693	0.3957	0.3690	0.3493	0.3319	0.3217	0.3121	0.3110
10	1	0.02472472	0.5544	0.4527	0.3888	0.3656	0.3471	0.3310	0.3191	0.3058	0.3008
10	2	0.027193323	0.4725	0.4022	0.3553	0.3377	0.3249	0.3113	0.3011	0.2885	0.2820
10	5	0.031883549	0.3598	0.3166	0.2859	0.2743	0.2655	0.2576	0.2514	0.2435	0.2400

Figure 1 – Market data

Figure 1 includes the swaption volatilities quoted by tenor (2y, 5y, 10y, 15y, 30y), and expiry (3m ,6m, 9m, 1y, 2y, 5y, 10y).

Calibration of the model:

The minimization problem to be solved by SABR model calibration is matching the market implied volatility with the SABR volatility evaluated for a given strike set and current forward rate for each maturity and each tenor. the results of the parameters of the SABR model are shown in the excel file "parameters", as well as the volatilities calculated by the model are shown in the file "outvol".

SABR VOLATILITIES										
	strikes:	-150	-100	-50	-25	ATM	25	50	100	150
2y	3m	2.4631	1.0224	0.5412	0.422	0.3898	0.398	0.4156	0.4507	0.4793
2y	6m	2.2568	0.9476	0.5513	0.4586	0.4247	0.4227	0.4317	0.4556	0.4768
2y	9m	1.8907	0.8168	0.5267	0.4637	0.4365	0.4294	0.4313	0.4428	0.4551
2y	1y	1.5117	0.6785	0.4818	0.4507	0.4421	0.4438	0.4495	0.463	0.475
2y	2y	1.8831	0.886	0.5778	0.4911	0.4403	0.4207	0.4209	0.442	0.4665
2y	5y	0.4042	0.3536	0.3222	0.3115	0.3033	0.2973	0.293	0.2881	0.2864
2y	10y	0.3031	0.2721	0.2501	0.2416	0.2345	0.2286	0.2237	0.2165	0.2119
5y	3m	1.1844	0.6101	0.4623	0.4259	0.4031	0.389	0.3806	0.3727	0.3702
5y	6m	0.9566	0.5819	0.4635	0.4327	0.4124	0.399	0.3902	0.3807	0.3767
5y	9m	0.8321	0.5584	0.4557	0.427	0.4072	0.3934	0.3838	0.3727	0.3674
5y	1y	0.7239	0.5253	0.4437	0.42	0.4032	0.391	0.3823	0.3712	0.3652
5y	2y	0.5702	0.4692	0.4119	0.3924	0.3773	0.3655	0.3565	0.3444	0.3376
5y	5y	0.3722	0.33	0.3015	0.291	0.2824	0.2754	0.2698	0.2619	0.2571
5y	10y	0.3112	0.2745	0.2485	0.2386	0.2305	0.2239	0.2187	0.2117	0.2079
10y	3m	0.6344	0.4886	0.4001	0.3698	0.3472	0.3313	0.321	0.3124	0.3127
10y	6m	0.6148	0.4856	0.4038	0.375	0.353	0.3373	0.3272	0.3193	0.3211
10y	9m	0.5858	0.4699	0.3955	0.3688	0.3481	0.3328	0.3222	0.3119	0.3109
10y	1y	0.5541	0.4536	0.3886	0.365	0.3461	0.3313	0.3201	0.3062	0.3003
10y	2y	0.4728	0.402	0.3551	0.3377	0.3234	0.3118	0.3025	0.2892	0.281
10y	5y	0.3601	0.3162	0.2858	0.2744	0.2651	0.2577	0.2518	0.2439	0.2396

Figure 2 – SABR volatilities

PARAMETERS					
tenor	expiry	alpha	beta	rho	nu
2y	3m	0.005869	0	-0.617576	1.43025
2y	6m	0.005797	0	-0.44166	1.17185
2y	9m	0.00558	0	-0.182584	0.899599
2y	1y	0.006004	0.027118	0.179593	0.808535
2y	2y	0.006057	0	0.009768	0.997566
2y	5y	0.031362	0.380887	0.079566	0.371217
2y	10y	0.022713	0.328955	-0.055713	0.265421
5y	3m	0.006417	0	0.347181	0.50542
5y	6m	0.010782	0.110854	0.322696	0.455014
5y	9m	0.014339	0.174437	0.246052	0.423635
5y	1y	0.01712	0.211171	0.280856	0.382552
5y	2y	0.041026	0.422692	-0.050892	0.375533
5y	5y	0.027469	0.34533	-0.005954	0.313709
5y	10y	0.0205	0.31125	-0.103107	0.31123
10y	3m	0.019485	0.238678	-0.139061	0.616454
10y	6m	0.049107	0.477351	-0.255881	0.648114
10y	9m	0.047273	0.468191	-0.267248	0.5935
10y	1y	0.038281	0.409097	-0.254194	0.492095
10y	2y	0.023674	0.281438	-0.120087	0.370017
10y	5y	0.023392	0.310695	-0.075433	0.349609
10y	10y	0.023431	0.343333	-0.102005	0.300103

Figure 3 – SABR parameters

The 3D plot of the Swaption volatility surface and the fitted volatility surface (SABR) for 2 years and 10 years tenor are showed in the figures bellow.

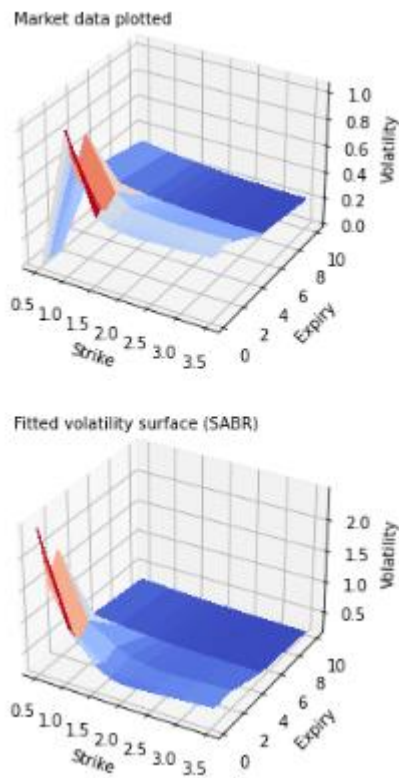


Figure 4 – Swaption volatility surface and Swaption volatility surface SABR: tenor 2 years

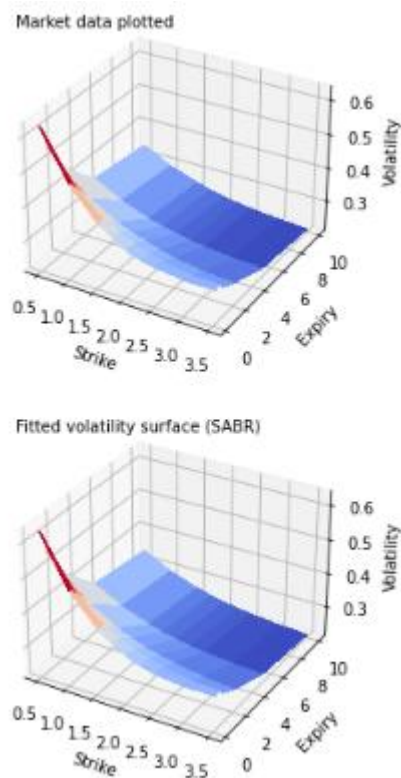


Figure 5– Swaption volatility surface and Swaption volatility surface SABR: tenor 2 years

Let us now examine more closely the goodness of fit of SABR model. To do so, we plot the volatility smile for four different expiry time: 3 and 6 months, 5 and 10 years, for tenors 2 years and 10 years.

Tenor : 2 years

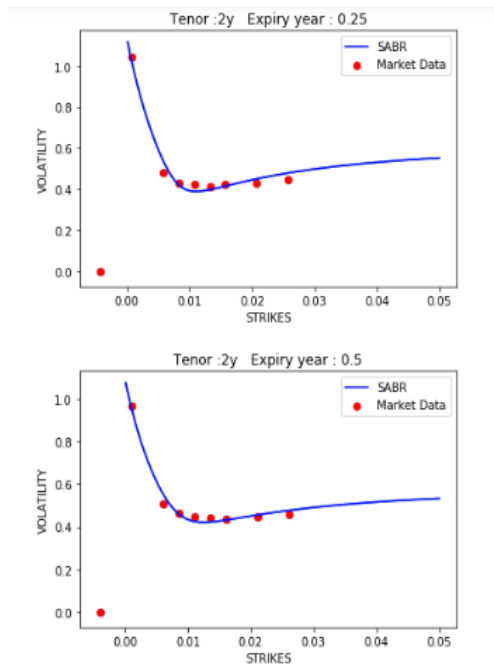


Figure 6– 3 and 6 months Swaption

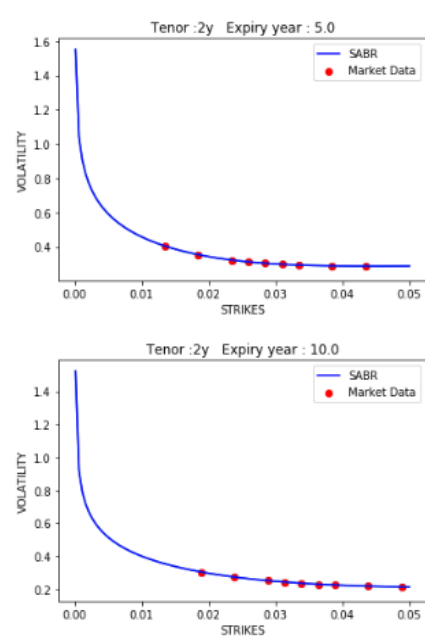


Figure 7 – 5 and 10 years Swaption

Tenor : 10 years

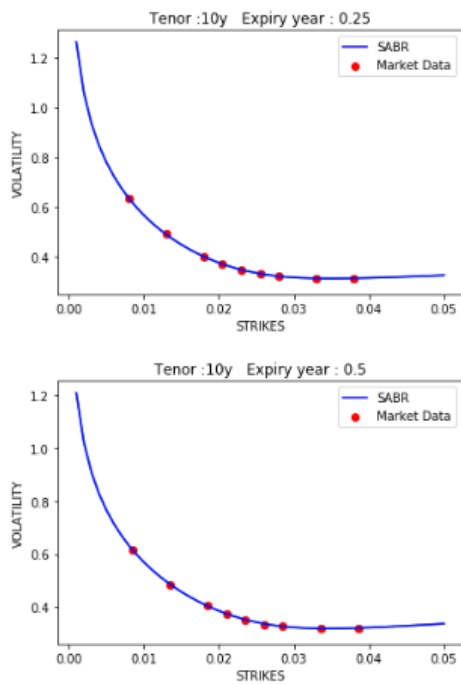


Figure 8 – 3 and 6 months Swaption

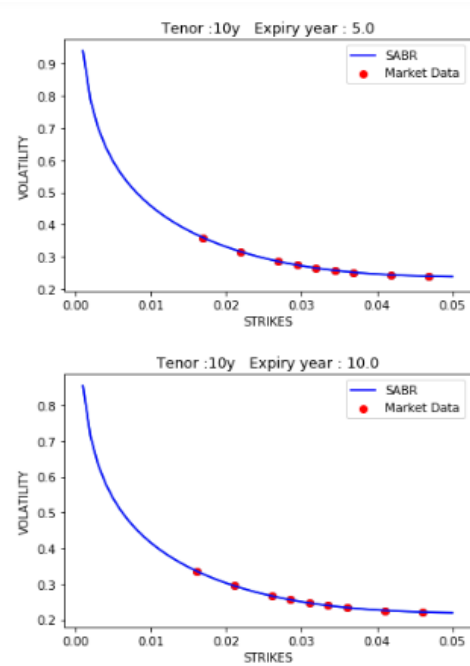


Figure 9 – 5 and 10 years Swaption

Conclusion :

- Clearly, as seen in the figures, the SABR parameters capture fairly well the left side of the volatility where the expiry time is relatively small.
- It seems the SABR fitted volatility smile does not quite match with the market implied volatility for small tenor and small expiry, due to the shift function applied for negative rates.
- The variation on the instantaneous volatility α is small especially at the large expiry part due to the flatness of the volatility surface.
- Using the SABR function and the parameters, we can predict the value of the swaption volatility at any strike for a tenor/expiry case.

Python CODE :

- The file SMILES.ipynb shows the code of the Smiles plots.
- The files 2y tenor.ipynb, 5y tenor.ipynb, 10y tenor.ipynb, 15y tenor.ipynb, 30y tenor.ipynb shows the 3D plots of the volatility surface for different tenors.